WEEKLY SERVICES AT THE SYNAGOGUE -SATURDAYS: 7:00 pm – ZOOM Services only until further notice Look online for Special Events.

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## STUDENT RABBI'S REPORT

For the last several weeks, we've been reading through Torah portions in which God's role is minimal. God barely has a speaking role in the end of Jacob's life and never explicitly appears to Joseph. God will reappear in early January, when we read Parsha Shemot, the beginning of the Book of Exodus. The people of Israel, enslaved in Egypt, call out in anguish and awaken God's concern and compassion.

This Torah suggests that crying in distress is a form of prayer. Our personal tears, our complaining to a friend, our confining to a therapist... are not just kvetchs; rather, they are means of drawing in a distant God, of connecting to the Divine.

If you are having a hard time this winter and want to talk, please feel free to be in touch; you can reach me at joey.a.glick@gmail.com. May it be a month where we make liturgies out of our wallowing, sanctuaries out of our complaining and community out of our sorrows.



*Joey Glick* Student Rabbi

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

As we leave 2020 behind, we continue to struggle with the effects of Covid-19 as a Jewish community and as part of the larger local and national community. We were fortunate to have suffered less than some regions during the first wave of infection last Spring, but the reality of this highly contagious and deadly virus is now here in our area for all to witness.

Consequently, we have decided to take a pause in our live, in-person Shabbat morning services and go exclusively to virtual weekly Saturday evening Havdalah with Joey Glick. We were one of the very few congregations in the region that provided in-person Shabbat and holiday services this past summer and fall. In retrospect, I think it was a good decision to use the opportunity provided by the lull in cases during the summer and fall to re-institute live services.

We are fortunate that Joey was able to simultaneously create meaningful Kabbalat Shabbat and now Havdalah virtual experiences for us. This has provided additional options for our community to pray, study, and interact together. It also has helped us reconnect with our congregants living out of the area. In addition, it enhances our resilience in the face of our current challenges.

On another positive note, effective vaccines are likely to become more widely available over the next weeks and months and I have every expectation that this will be accompanied by a gradually decreasing incidence of the virus. We will continually monitor the situation and reinstitute physically distanced, in-person services as soon as it is safe to do so. Eventually, we may even be able to have Shabbat kiddish luncheons together once again.

Hoping for a better 2021, Mark Hoffman



*Mark Hoffman* President

## WEEKLY TORAH PORTION



Vayechi	Jan 1, Candlelighting 4:10 pm				
TORAH	<u>Genesis 47:28-50:26</u>				
HAFTARAH	<u>I Kings 2:1 - 2:12</u>				
Shemot	Jan 8, Candlelighting 4:16 pm				
TORAH	<u>Exodus 1:1-6:1</u>				
HAFTARAH	<u>Is 27:6-28:13; 29:22-29:23</u>				
Vaera	Jan 15, Candlelighting 4:24 pm				
TORAH	<u>Exodus 6:2-9:35</u>				
HAFTARAH	<u>Ezekiel 28:25 - 29:21</u>				
<b>Bo</b>	Jan 22, Candlelighting 4:33 pm				
<i>TORAH</i>	<u>Exodus 10:1-13:16</u>				
<i>HAFTARAH</i>	Jeremiah 46:13 - 46:28				
Beshalach	Jan 29, Candlelighting 4:42 pm				
TORAH	<u>Exodus 13:17-17:16</u>				
HAFTARAH	<u>Judges 5:1 - 5:31</u>				
	have an upcoming and need a minyan,				

Sisterhood JANUARY 2020

Winter Greetings Everyone,

Hope your Hanukkah (Festival of Lights) was a joyous celebration despite the different circumstances this year.

Healing thoughts and prayers to any member, family or friend in need. Our Sisterhood past co-president Dolly was hospitalized again last week. She would appreciate your healing prayers and any correspondence. Her contact information is:

Dolly Chary-Morrissey Lakeview Care Center-Rm. 215B Delray Beach, FL 33484 Rm phone: (561) 359-2413

Have a fruitful, healthy Tu B'Shevat.

Snowbirds stay safe and well.

Sisterhood extends condolences to Synagogue/Sisterhood friend, Helene Rudnick and family. Edie Rudnick, who passed away on November 28, 2020 at age 25, was Helene's granddaughter, daughter of Howard and Jennifer, sister to Gabe, niece to Aunt Rochelle and Aunt Judy, grandniece to Aunt Lois, cousin to Bonnie and Sunny with other cousins and friends. Rest In Peace.

Sisterhood and Congregation Shaaray Tefila also extend condolences to Richard Reisman, Temple Member, on the passing of his brother Kenneth Reisman who passed on December 21, 2020. Stay safe and well this winter with the continued challenging, changing times.

Happy, healthy 2021 to each of you.

Bonnie



*Bonnie Yanklowitz* Sisterhood President

# TSRS - TEMPLE-SYNAGOGUE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REPORT

As I write this, I am ending my first semester in the Master's program for Jewish Education at Gratz College. I loved every minute of it! From learning new techniques and reading Jewish literature to expanding my knowledge of the Hebrew language, I have run the full gamut of Jewish learning.

Our TSRS monthly family services continue to bring in over 50 participants and we have continually been able to successfully enhance our students' Jewish learning through online Zoom learning with full school lessons, breakout rooms, stories from Rabbi Norm and spiritual journeys with Student Rabbi Joey.

We have explored Jewish objects in our home by creating a Mishpacha (family) museum. We have explored the meaning behind Hebrew names and given Hebrew names to some of our students. We continue our Hebrew lessons and we have expanded our music abilities with music director Debbie Sheerer, by breaking Jewish songs into family parts for our Shabbat services. We lit up Zoom with Menorah lighting in all of our homes and beamed with pride as three students sang the Hanukkah prayers in front of our Zoom congregation.

Looking forward, we have Tu B'Shevat, Purim, Passover. I have a special project I planned for celebrating the Jewish New Year for trees that will connect our school with Israel. Our students will have the opportunity to read the Megillah and share their costumes from their homes. TSRS will deliver Passover tool kits to our families and enjoy a wonderful online seder. We will cook together, we will eat together, we will celebrate together, and we will share our experiences.

I bless you all with the chance to expand on your own Jewish education. Please reach out to me as I look forward to learning with not only my students but anyone who is looking for opportunities for Jewish education. Contact me any time. I would love to study with you!

All the best, Rebecca (518) 248-4692



*Rebecca Charhon* Director, TSRS

## SYNAGOGUE NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

We welcome member articles and news to our



monthly Bulletin. We reserve the right to edit submissions for content and length. We reserve the right, at our discretion, to refuse to publish or remove any content we deem inappropriate.

The monthly due date is usually the third Thursday of each month. Please submit items to: <u>cstgfny@gmail.com</u>. Thanks!

### In the News

In case you missed this, our downstairs classroom rental to BOCES for their adult literacy program is going very well. <u>Click here to read</u> the article which appeared in the Foothills Business Daily on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Fram for making the Honor Roll at her school.

#### **JANUARY ONEGS & KIDDUSHES**

No word yet when we will be able to resume preparing food for our gatherings, as we comply with state guidelines. We look forward to resuming our fellowship – how much more meaningful our meetings and refreshments together will be when we have not been able to share for so long!



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Congregation Shaaray Tefila & Sisterhood Send Their Very Best Birthday Wishes to the Following Members & Friends:

Troy Goldstein	1/5/2021
Myron Rapaport	1/5/2021
Dr. Larry Greenberg	1/6/2021
Andrew Kaplan	1/8/2021
Stephen Schwartz	1/8/2021
Rebecca Weill	1/10/2021
Lawrence Aronson	1/11/2021
J. Lawrence Paltrowitz	1/13/2021
Benjamin Cohen	1/14/2021
Elizabeth Fram	1/14/2021
Patrick Isaac Beeson	1/15/2021
John Karhinen	1/17/2021
Shira Carmel Hoffman	1/19/2021
Emily Ruth Tisdel	1/21/2021
Vance Cohen	1/22/2021
Jaslyn Williams	1/22/2021
David Wurzberger	1/23/2021
Loren Michael Bush	1/25/2021
David Torra	1/25/2021
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Leah Starbuch	1/26
Michele Lori Schwartz	1/28
Lawrence Segel	1/28
Herbert Levin	1/29
Audrey K. Vogenberg	1/30
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**GENERAL FUND** 

In memory of Shirley Luria *From Cheryl Luria* 

In memory of Shirley Weiner *From Larry Greenberg* 

In memory of Lila and Louis Myers From Larry Greenberg

In memory of Joan Shapiro and Morris Solomon *From Ruth, Karen and Gail Shapiro* 

Yizkor contribution From Naum and Susan Matzner

Hanukkah Blessings to Hoffmans, Cohens, Bonnie and Dolly *From Laura and Elizabeth Fram* 

Hanukkah Blessings to Dr. Sakowitz, and Dr. Smith and Zadie *From Laura and Elizabeth Fram* 

> Get Well Wishes to Dolly Morrissey From Laura Fram

In memory of her mother Gusta Aronson *From Hilda Schwartz* 

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#### From Laura Fram

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In Memory of Barry's sister Elinore Greene *From Barry & Barbara Ziff* 

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YEAR 5781 YAHRZEITS – alphabetical list

YEAR 5781 YAHRZEITS – 2020-21 date list

YEAR 5781 HOLIDAYS & OBSERVANCES



#### YAHRZEIT RECORD FOR JANUARY 2021



Cohen, Rachel Kanter, Dr. Samuel Friday, 1/1/2021 Tevet 17, 5781 Fram, Benjamin Saturday, 1/2/2021 Tevet 18, 5781 **Oppenheim**, Isidor Pletman, Robert J **Strobel Weill, Regina** Sunday, 1/3/2021 Tevet 19, 5781 Alkes, Morris Aronson, A. Morris Monday, 1/4/2021 Tevet 20, 5781 **Charhon**, Albert Perlman, Jules Tuesday, 1/5/2021 Tevet 21, 5781 Silverman, Boruch Wednesday, 1/6/2021 Tevet 22, 5781 Aronson, Robert **Brandon**, Cindy Friday, 1/8/2021 Tevet 24, 5781 Aronson, Gusta Cohen, Walter Saturday, 1/9/2021 Tevet 25, 5781 Aronson, Samuel Segel, Dorothy Monday, 1/11/2021 Tevet 27, 5781 Fram, Ephram Janis, Stefan Tuesday, 1/12/2021 Tevet 28, 5781

Berman, Gussie Kudon, George Rapaport, Robert Wednesday, 1/13/2021 Tevet 29, 5781 Hoffman, Helen Seligman, Adrian Thursday, 1/14/2021 Shevat 1, 5781 Cohen, George **Oppenheim**, Max Silverman, Jeanne Friday, 1/15/2021 Shevat 2, 5781 Berkowitz (O'Leary), Kevin Saturday, 1/16/2021 Shevat 3, 5781 Day, Katherine (Kay) Hafter, Jacob Koble, George Sunday, 1/17/2021 Shevat 4, 5781 Smith. Jack Tuesday, 1/19/2021 Shevat 6, 5781 Koslow, Frieda Levy, Elaine Wednesday, 1/20/2021 Shevat 7, 5781 Kudan, Sylvia Landau. Sabina Thursday, 1/21/2021 Shevat 8, 5781 Mauro, Carol Friday, 1/22/2021 Shevat 9, 5781 Rudnick, Abraham Saturday, 1/23/2021 Shevat 10, 5781 Singer, Tillie Sunday, 1/24/2021 Shevat 11, 5781 Kantrowitz, Lawrence (Bud) Monday, 1/25/2021 Shevat 12, 5781 Lapper, Frederick Wednesday, 1/27/2021 Shevat 14, 5781 Kanoff, William Matlow, Irving Saturday, 1/30/2021 Shevat 17, 5781 Levitan, Eva Segel, Benjamin Yanklowitz, I. Morton (Mort) Sunday, 1/31/2021 Shevat 18, 5781

YAHRZEIT RECORD FOR FEBRUARY 2021

Eddleton, Joseph Schwartz, Annie Wednesday, 2/3/2021 Shevat 21, 5781 Silverman, Esther Thursday, 2/4/2021 Shevat 22, 5781

Alkes, Isaac Friday, 2/5/2021 Shevat 23, 5781 Beale, Daniel Levitt, Abraham Saturday, 2/6/2021 Shevat 24, 5781 Berman, Maurice Hoffman, Ida Weill, Joan Sunday, 2/7/2021 Shevat 25, 5781 Berman, Larry Thursday, 2/11/2021 Shevat 29, 5781 Greenberg, Rose Lebowitz. Henrietta Friday, 2/12/2021 Shevat 30, 5781 Drazin, William Stern. Stewart Saturday, 2/13/2021 Adar 1, 5781 Fleming, Frances **Rosenberg**, Irving Monday, 2/15/2021 Adar 3, 5781 Levin. Libbie Yunich, Mary Wednesday, 2/17/2021 Adar 5, 5781 Alkes, Eva Thursday, 2/18/2021 Adar 6, 5781 **Rothstein**, **Bruce** Friday, 2/19/2021 Adar 7, 5781 Grunberger, Milton Saturday, 2/20/2021 Adar 8, 5781 Farnsworth, Vinona Hudson Solomon, Jennie Sunday, 2/21/2021 Adar 9, 5781 Abraham, Father Michael Tuesday, 2/23/2021 Adar 11, 5781 Greenberg, Harry Wednesday, 2/24/2021 Adar 12, 5781 Kraftchick, Elizabeth Rosenberg, Bella Thursday, 2/25/2021 Adar 13, 5781 **Kraftchick, Morris** Yanklowitz, Natalie Ida Friday, 2/26/2021 Adar 14, 5781 Borlawsky, Mollie Kitmacher, Albert Landsman, Max Saturday, 2/27/2021 Adar 15, 5781









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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Happy New Year 2021 OFFICE CLOSED	2 LIVE SERVICES Paused Indefinitely 7:00pm <u>ZOOM</u> Havdalah with Joey Glick
3	4 Kosher Order Due	5	6	7	8	9 7:00pm <u>ZOOM</u> Havdalah with Joey Glick
10 10-12 noon TSRS-ZOOM	11	12 Kosher Delivery	13	14	15	16 ~~~ 7:00pm <u>ZOOM</u> Havdalah with Joey Glick
17	18	19	20	21	22 6:15pm <u>ZOOM</u> Family Shabbat Service with Temple Beth-El and Joey Glick	23
24 10-12 noon TSRS-ZOOM	25	26	27	28	29	30 ~~~ 7:00pm <u>ZOOM</u> Havdalah with Joey Glick
31 10-12 noon TSRS- <u>ZOOM</u>						